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1. EC COMMISSION VICE PRESIDENT SIMONET TOLD AMBASSADOR GREENWALD ON FEBRUARY 18 THAT HE VIEWED HIS IDEAS ON PROTECTION OF INVESTMENTS IN ALTERNATE ENERGY SOURCES (REFTEL A) NOT LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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TO BE VERY DIFFERENT FROM THE U.S. PROPOSAL. CONCEPTUALLY,

THEY FOLLOW THE SAME THREE TIER APPROACH.HE SAID THE MAIN PURPOSE OF HIS FEBRUARY 24 VISIT TO WASHINGTON (REFTEL B) IS TO EXPLAIN HIS PROPOSAL FURTHER AND MAKE AN EFFORT WITH ASSISTANT SECRETARY ENDERS TO WORK OUT ANY DIFFERENCES.

2. HE SAID THE MORNING OF THE COUNCIL OF ENERGY MINISTERS ON FEBRUARY 13 HAD BEEN DEVOTED TO A DISCUSSION OF THE PROBLEM OF PROMOTING ALTERNATIVE SOURCES, BUT THAT THE SUBJECT HAD BEEN DISCUSSED WITH NO CONCRETE RESULT (REFTEL C). SIMONET IS NOW PREPARING A PAPER WHICH HE SAID HE WILL DISCUSS WITH THE EC ENERGY COMMITTEE IN PARIS ON FEBRUARY 20 AND WITH THE COMMISSION ON FEBRUARY 21. IF THIS SCHEDULE CAN BE MET, THE PAPER WOULD GO TO THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVES (COREPER) AROUND FEBRUARY 26.GREENWALD

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